

**City of Harrington
MINUTES
City Council Special Meeting
September 21, 2016**

A meeting with the Harrington City Council was held at Harrington City Hall, 106 Dorman Street, on September 21, 2016 and was attended by the following: Vice Mayor Duane E. Bivans; Council Member Charles W. Baugher, Jr.; Council Member Robert Dean Helsel; Council Member Eric Marquis; Council Member Amy Minner; Council Member Micah Parker; Norman Barlow, Chief of Police; William Pepper, City Solicitor; Teresa Tieman, City Manager; and Kelly Blanchies, Clerk of Council.

Mayor Anthony R. Moyer was absent.

Vice Mayor Bivans called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Roll was called.

Resignation of police recruit and hiring of police officer

The Chief of Police stated that the person hired at the beginning of September has resigned and asked for permission to hire the current Code Enforcement Officer, John Adlam, as a replacement. He has to be in the police academy by Friday, or he will not be able to participate this session.

A MOTION was made by Council Member Helsel, seconded by Council Member Minner, to proceed with the hiring of John Adlam to the Police Department. The MOTION passed unanimously.

Hiring of Code Enforcement Officer

The City Manager stated that when interviews were conducted previously there was a second strong candidate for the Code Enforcement Officer position. John Long is still interested in taking the position. Since the middle of July, there has only been a full time Code Enforcement Officer for two weeks.

A MOTION was made by Council Member Marquis, seconded by Council Member Helsel, to approve the hiring of John Long as Code Enforcement Officer. The MOTION passed unanimously.

Executive Session

Personnel matter

There was no Executive Session.

Public Comments

There were no Public Comments.

City Council Comments

Council Member Minner stated that the water leak article was very good.

Council Member Helsel stated that the Chief of Police and City Manager have handled things well.

Council Member Parker stated that there is a lot of flooding on Mispillion Street, and there was drainage work done in the area a few years ago. The City Manager stated that it would probably be expensive to correct the problem.

Council Member Marquis asked for a solution for brown water in the area behind the Library. The City Manager stated that the City puts an additive in the water to help brown water.

Council Member Baugher stated that the City should conduct interviews for the vacancy in Public Works.

Vice Mayor Bivans stated that he would like department heads attend a City Council meeting quarterly, asked that an automated call be made for the fall clean up, and asked that new employees be brought to a City Council meeting.

The Chief of Police stated that there will be a movie on Friday, that tomorrow will be a day when warnings are issued instead of tickets, that Emergency Services Night will be October 6, and that sponsorships for the community police vehicle are going well.

The City Manager stated that the flooring in City Hall is done, that Public Works rescued some kittens that the City Clerk is now caring for, that she will be away at a conference where she will moderate a panel discussion, and that work is continuing on acquiring a Library property.

Council Member Minner asked if Stone's is open. The City Manager stated that Stone's has received a temporary certificate of occupancy but does not have an approved kitchen yet. There are a couple small projects that are coming up that could be eligible for the Downtown Development District grant.

Council Member Minner asked for an ad to promote the impact fee waiver.

Vice Mayor Bivans thanked the City Solicitor for his help.

There being no further business, a MOTION was made by Council Member Marquis, seconded by Council Member Minner, to adjourn the City Council Special Meeting. The MOTION passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kelly Blanchies', written over the printed name.

Kelly Blanchies
Clerk of Council